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PATENT APPLICATION 6-6-02

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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For: ALTERNATOR AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURE THEREFOR

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 27, 2002¹, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

✓ IN THE CLAIMS:

✓ Please cancel claims 2-10 without prejudice or disclaimer.

✓ Please add the following new claims:

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11. A method for manufacturing a stator of an alternator, the stator comprising a stator core and a polyphase stator winding, wherein said stator core includes a plurality of slots extending axially at a predetermined pitch, the method comprising:

forming said polyphase stator winding by bending a plurality of long wire strands to form a plurality of winding portions having straight portions and turn portions;

¹ May 27, 2002 fell on a federal holiday, therefore this Amendment is timely filed.

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